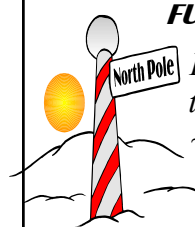


A Publication of News and Events


Democracy is based upon the conviction that there are extraordinary possibilities in ordinary people. **Harry Emerson Fosdick**

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has. **Margaret Mead**

We've targeted July to get our shovel in the ground.
Robert Rauch, "Trappe East" Developer



FUN FIRSTS OF THE 20TH CENTURY
First Person to
the North Pole
~ April 6, 1909
First Zipper ~
April 29, 1913



WE WANT YOU . . . to HELP DESIGN THE NEW TOWN HALL

For several weeks, Town officials and citizens have worked in open meetings with planners, developers, and architects to come up with ideas for our new Town Hall. Two basic designs have been initiated and citizen input is encouraged as these designs move toward a final decision.



MAIN STREET ELEVATION
SCALE: 3/16"=1'-0"



POWELL STREET ELEVATION
SCALE: 3/16"=1'-0"



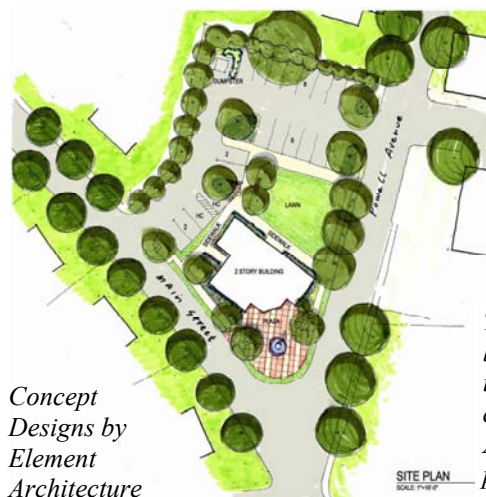
FIRST FLOOR PLAN
SCALE: 1/8"=1'-0"



NORTHWEST ELEVATION
SCALE: 3/16"=1'-0"



SECOND FLOOR PLAN
SCALE: 1/8"=1'-0"



SITE PLAN
SCALE: 1/8"=1'-0"

Concept
Designs by
Element
Architecture

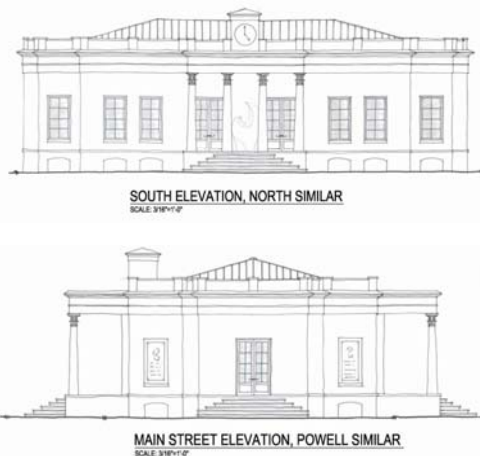
This is Design # 1.... The site plan was well liked, along with different features of the building. An open porch was suggested, as was a change to the long roof in the Main St elevation. A view of the front of the building alone with a perspective from the street was requested....

The Index is a publication of the Trappe Town Council. We welcome contributions and short articles that are of general interest to the community. Events reported in The Index do not necessarily reflect the endorsement of the Town Commissioners. The Commissioners reserve the right to edit or reject any item submitted. Articles and photographs published in The Index are protected under U.S. Copyright Law and cannot be reproduced without express written permission.

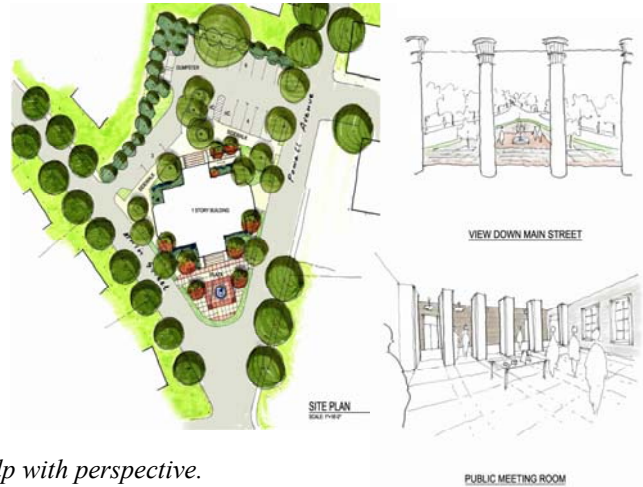


Town of Trappe, Inc. • 4011 Powell Ave • PO Box 162 • Trappe, MD 21673-0162 • 410-476-3170 • fax 410-476-3192

**PLEASE COME TO THE APRIL 5th TOWN MEETING TO SEE DRAWINGS AND GIVE
YOUR FEEDBACK ON OUR NEW TOWN HALL CITIZENS INPUT IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED**



This is Design # 2. The site plan was liked as it presented minimum maintenance. . There was some interest in having a one story building. Others had questions concerning the proportion of the building on the corner. A sketch of a frontal view of the building on the proposed lot was requested to help with perspective.



Concept Designs by Element Architecture

A final meeting is currently scheduled for April 12th at 7 pm.

OTHER NEWS FROM TOWN HALL

Town Meetings and Planning Commission Meetings are open to the public. Citizens are encouraged to attend to be informed and give input. Meeting agendas are posted outside Town Hall every Friday, and items are added as requested (which can be as late as Wednesday morning) and re-posted with each change. An early agenda is posted on the Town website, but may not always include the latest changes. Stop by the Town Hall on Wednesday evenings and learn first-hand about the many happenings in our town. For more information, call the Town Clerk at 410.476.3170.

- Town Meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm
- Planning Commission Meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm
- Public Hearings, Public Workshops, Special Appeals Hearings, etc. are scheduled as needed, and are often held prior to regular meetings shown above

“Trappe East” Subdivision Concept Plan The Developers Rights and Responsibility Agreement (DRRA) has been approved for the property. A planned neighborhood (PN) zoning district and planned unit development (PUD) plan are in place for phases 1A, 1B, and 1C, the first three phases of the planned nine-stage development. The planned design of the development includes mixed housing types in seven distinct neighborhoods, a village center, inn, recreational lake, and extensive walking/biking trails, among other features. As part of the DRRA, a new Town Hall will be built within walking distance of the existing one. Trappe East LLC will also fund the Town’s Planning Office and provide the TVFD \$250,000 for a new garage within one year of groundbreaking. Over the project’s projected 15-year build-out, an estimated \$2,262 to 2,501 homes will be constructed. State approvals for road construction and wastewater treatment plant are expected in spring 2006, with groundbreaking anticipated as early as July 2006. The developer presented an advance copy of the metes and bounds plat for the project and requested that, because of the distinct design of each phase, the planning approvals for phases 1A, 1B & 1C be viewed as three separate approvals. It was again noted that “Trappe East” is only the working title for the project and a final development name will soon be announced.

Final Plat Review, Charles Adams Property (off Main Street) The plat for a new house, situated off a gravel road that runs off Main Street toward the rear of Home Run Baker Park, was approved by the Planning Commission. Approval is subject to a 50’ right-of-way to accommodate future growth. Other residents along the gravel road would be permitted to use the right-of-way to access their homes. The approval is conditioned on a satisfactory survey, payment of applicable subdivision fees, and a Public Works Agreement for extension of water and sewer to the new lot.

ORDINANCE 2-2006 Highway Commercial Mixed Use (HCM District) Zoning The Planning Commission and Town Attorney reviewed amendments to the HCM zoning at the March (1st) Town Meeting. This floating zone that applies to large parcels of commercial property, primarily infill lots, along Rt. 50. The ordinance is intended to discourage unsightly stretches of commercial highway development, such as those seen along stretches of highways through other towns. It also protects the Town by putting zoning in place before developers enter the picture. The HCM District consists of up to four zoning types: commercial, village center, residential, and conservation areas. No development or subdivision may proceed in this district without the approval of the Town Council, thus giving the town flexibility to zone large parcels pursuant to a PUD plan. This is a “text” ordinance, not a “map” ordinance, meaning that it creates the floating zone but does not apply it to specific mapped properties. **A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD APRIL 5, 2005 AT 7:15 P.M. IN THE TOWN HALL.**



News from Town Clerk:

PLEASE NOTE The Town Office Hours are:

Mon, Tue, Thur & Fri: 8 am to 4:30 pm Wed: 8 am to 12:30 pm (the door will be locked after that time)

- The Town recommends that residents take advantage of the recycle drop offs located behind the Trappe Fire House and Shore Stop. Recycling glassware, cans, newspapers, plastic items and mixed paper (junk mail) reduces the cost of our trash collections, keeping our town cost and your tax rate down.
- Please remember to keep your storm gutters and drains cleared of debris and leaves.
- TRAPPE pottery is for sale year-round. These beautiful, custom-made ceramic pottery pieces are ovenproof, microwave and dishwasher safe. Many pieces to choose from, including commemorative designs for Town churches. They make great gifts any occasion: birthdays, anniversaries, housewarmings, and more. The perfect item for that last minute gift.

All proceeds benefit the Town of Trappe Christmas Decoration Fund.



NEXT SPECIAL TRASH PICK UP APRIL 28, 2006

Wait! Before you toss that stuff onto the pile for this month's Special Trash Pickup ... consider these landfill-friendly options

Martha's Closet ~ Drop off any good used items at the Trappe United Methodist Martha's Closet yard sale. The shop is open every Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to noon and during the Country Church Breakfast on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays of each month. To arrange another time to drop off donations, please contact Pastor Cindy Burkert at 410.476.3384 or pastorcindy@dmv.com.

Join Mid Shore Freecycle. This online exchange network is open to anyone in the Mid Shore area who wants to "re-cycle" rather than throw stuff away. Anything goes—whether it's a chair, a fax machine, firewood, a piano or an old car, feel free to post it. Looking to acquire something yourself? Read the Mid Shore FreeCycle list daily until you see something offered. One Rule: everything posted must be FREE. No trading, no bartering, no selling! For more information or to join the group, visit http://groups.yahoo.com/group/mid_shorefreecycle.

GOT COMPUTERS?? Joey Medley, is a former senior computer engineer, who now lives in Cambridge, who reconditions computer systems (not too old) with the latest software to give to needy families whose children would like to learn basic computer skills. He says it's his way of giving back to the community

RAISING FUNDS FOR CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS.....

The Town Hall Staff will be selling

Pit Beef Sandwiches,
cooked by

Jamie Petrides, on

May 10th right in front of
the Town Hall!!



You can
pre-order
your sand-

wich, chips and drink for \$7
at the Town Hall anytime
during regular office hours.



ANNOUNCING THE 2nd ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST

Sponsored by THE INDEX

This Months entry...

This photograph was submitted by the Trappe Volunteer Fire Dept., taken at the Trappe Cannery fire, which occurred March 7, 2006. The four-alarm fire destroyed the building, which was once a tomato cannery called Char-Wil Canning Co.

Do you have a great photograph of a favorite scene, event, or person (past or present) in Trappe? If so, be sure to enter it in our Annual Photo Contest. Each month, we will share the entries with our readers. At the end of the year a winner will be announced. Entries may be emailed to trappeindex@verizon.net or dropped off at the Town Office.



Disclaimer: In submitting a photo entry, you grant The Index the right to use the image in Town publications. Winning photographs will be published in The Index and may be displayed on Town Web site. Entrants are responsible for obtaining photo-release permission from subjects shown in submitted photographs, including the permission of parents for children under age 18.



THE INDEX is published monthly by the Town of Trappe, Inc.

Researched, Written and Compiled by: Ann Dorbin **Photography:** Ann Dorbin

Editing & Design: Cheryl Lewis **Publishing & Distribution:** Town Hall Staff & Community Volunteers

Submissions are welcome and may be dropped off at the Town Hall or sent to:

Ann Dorbin, PO Box 10, Trappe MD 21673 or trappeindex@verizon.net

Phone: 410.476.3910 or 410.476.3170 (Town Hall) Fax: 410.476.3192

The Index is also available online, in Color, along with lots of other local info. Visit the town Web site: www.trappemd.net Logon today!!

Community Cross Walk

Good Friday

April 14 ~ 12 noon to 3 pm

Community Cross Walk with stops for prayer and scripture

FISH FRY 11 a.m. – until.

Community can eat before or after Cross Walk

7:00 pm Meditations at the Cross ~ Trappe UMC

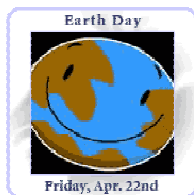
6:27 am Sunrise Easter Service (breakfast after) ~ Trappe UMC

Trappe U. Methodist Church will hold their annual Easter Egg Hunts on April 15th. Come join the fun and celebrate the season!



Photo Courtesy of Ann Dorbin

CHECK THE
CALENDAR FOR
OTHER EASTER
SERVICES AND
EVENTS.



The Transportation Committee of Scotts United



Methodist Church will sponsor "Judgment Day," a play to be performed at the Talbot County Historical Society auditorium on Sat. April 22nd at 6:00 p.m. The all African American cast is from

Union Chapel AME Church. Proceeds will benefit Scotts' Bus Fund, which is raising money to purchase a 25--passenger bus to transport youth and adult groups to church and community functions. They are halfway there and going strong! Advance tickets are available from the Church Office (410.476.3990) or from Elizabeth Blackwell (410.476.3551).



Photo courtesy of Frank Hall, Town Planner

NEW BUILDINGS GET A "FOOTING"

IN THE DOOR OF TOWN

Footings for two new buildings—the new High's store at U.S. Route 50 and Maple Avenue and the new rectory for St. Paul's Church on Main Street—were poured on the same day at the end of March. Highs anticipates opening this summer. St. Paul's previous rectory will be replaced with a new two story home, with estimated completion by early summer.

Girl Scout News Look for us on EARTH DAY (APRIL 22ND) sprucing up around town . . . SUGGESTIONS WELCOME! Please contact Barbara "Leader B" Coleman at 410.476.3128 or barbarajohn@verizon.net.

Ms. Patty from the Talbot County Humane Society visited St. Paul's

Preschool to teach the children how to care for their furry friends. Thank you to Ms. Patty and to all our special visitors this year!

St. Paul's will host our annual PRESCHOOL

ART SHOW + OPEN HOUSE ON MAY 11th

at 7 pm we will be taking registrations for our 3- and 4-year-old program. The preschool is open Tuesday,



Photo Courtesy of St Paul's Preschool

Wednesday & Thursday mornings from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. In this state-approved program, children enjoy mornings of fun and learning that include age-appropriate themes in music, science, and show-n-tells. Check out our brand new playground!

Also look for us in July at the Fireman's Parade or visit the St. Paul's hamburger/hot dog booth any night of the fair. For more information about St. Paul's Preschool, please call Director, Lori Hemming at 410.476.4465.

SCOTTS UMC FOOD PANTRY

Now available for emergency assistance

**OPEN Monday Thru Thursday
3 – 6 p.m. (on school days)**

Bread available on Wednesday & Saturday

**SUMMER HOURS:
Wednesdays 11:30 – 4:00**

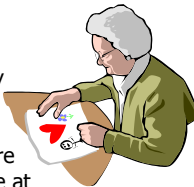
OTHER TIMES CALL Church Office 410.476.3980 (Outreach Chairperson: Diane Thomas)





NEWS FROM WHITE MARSH ELEMENTARY

WMES Grandparents' Club Looking for New Members & Leaders The White Marsh Elementary Grandparents' Club had a very successful year. To help keep this organization going takes good leadership. Julie Libby and Kay Harding have done a wonderful job as Co-Presidents and those of us at White Marsh extend our thanks for their efforts. However, they will be stepping down at the end of this year and we are looking for someone to take their place. If you are motivated and interested in helping our community's youngsters and their school, please contact Principal, Ginger Roupe at 410-476-3144 or by email at groupe@tcps.k12.md.us.



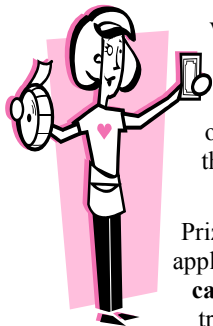
WMES "TRICKY TRAY" FUNDRAISER

Friday, April 21, 2006 ~ 6:00 PM ~ WMES Cafeteria

A Tricky Tray is an event that puts the "fun" in fundraising. On the evening of the Tricky Tray, dozens of items will be on display. Guests may buy as many tickets as they like and then place them (one ticket or several) into a container next to the item(s) they would like to win. Once everyone has had the opportunity to place their tickets in selected containers, the raffle begins. If the number drawn matches your ticket stub--Hooray! You win that prize!

Prizes (valued at \$25 or more each) will include: **Gift Baskets** of gourmet foods, clothing, jewelry, craft items, home decor, appliances, electronics, gardening items, **Tickets** to shows, sporting events, movies, museums, amusement parks, **Gift Certificates** for landscaping, massage, photography, restaurants, hunting or fishing trips, lessons, classes; **Vacation Packages** for trips, weekend excursions, spa days, **Children's Items** including themed parties, bikes, toys, classes, lessons, and sports.

WE NEED ITEMS TO RAFFLE! Community members and businesses are encouraged to support this event with your tax-deductible donation. Our Goal is 100 Items!! For more information, please contact Codie Chaudoin @410.476.3179 or Joanne Newmier 410.476.3724.



The **Ident-A-Kid Program** was held at White Marsh on March 28, 2006. Participating students were photographed, fingerprinted, weighed, and measured. All information is kept strictly confidential and is not kept on file or in a database. Parents were provided with a laminated wallet-sized ID card containing information about their child. To learn more about this important child safety program visit: www.identa-akid.com/delmarva.

Local Runner Makes Great Strides . . .

CONGRATULATIONS to Jowond Murray of Trappe for being named a United States Achievement Academy Award Winner for excellence in track and field. USAA recognizes fewer than 10% of American high school students. Criteria for selection include academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, dependability, attitude and cooperative spirit. Selections are made based upon the recommendation of a qualified sponsor, such as teachers, coaches, counselors, or religious leaders. Jowond was nominated by his teacher, Jennifer Powell, a P.E. teacher at Easton High School, where Jowond is a senior. Jowond is the son of Justina Pinkett and the grandson of Ruth & Leroy Murray.



TRAPPE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT



FISH FRY

SATURDAY

MAY 6TH

11 AM TO 4 PM

AT THE FIRE HOUSE.

**FISH SANDWICH, FRIES,
& DRINK FOR \$6.00**

OR

SANDWICH FOR \$5.00

FRIES FOR \$1.00

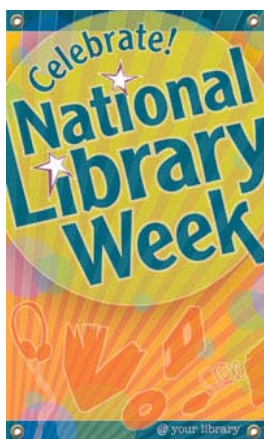
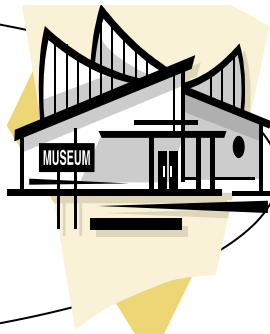
SUPPORT TVFD!!!

Would you like to see a "Rural Life Museum" in Trappe?

There will be an Open Meeting to discuss establishing a "Rural Life Museum" in Trappe. The meeting will be held

Monday, April 10, 2006 at 7 pm at White Marsh Elementary School.

All residents of the Trappe Town/District are encouraged to come to share their ideas, opinions, thoughts and suggestions on this project. For more information, please contact Charles Adams at 410.673.9099.



. . . April 2nd thru 8th









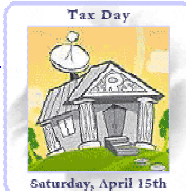

The Talbot County Free Library is celebrating its 80th year! Whether you'd like to check out a book, DVD, or CD, access a database, flip through a magazine, or brush up on computer skills, now is the time to visit the library. For more information, call 410.822.1626 or logon to www.talb.lib.md.us.

April 2006



April Rain Song By Langston Hughes

Let the rain kiss you
Let the rain beat upon your head with silver liquid drops
Let the rain sing you a lullaby
The rain makes still pools on the sidewalk
The rain makes running pools in the gutter
The rain plays a little sleep song on our roof at night
And I love the rain.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 1 Daylight Savings Time Turn your Clocks Back Emmanuel Wesleyan Sunday School 9:00 am Service 10:30 am Fellowship 5:15 pm Eve Service 6 pm Scott's UMC Sunday Service 9 am	Trappe Index SUBMISSION DEADLINE March 27, 2006 Trappeindex@verizon.net or 410-476-3910	Bible Study Hosted By Drake & Elizabeth 29299 Maple Ave 1 pm Every Tuesday All are welcome!!	Scott's Food Pantry is Open 3-6 pm on School Days....  National Library Week April 3rd - 8th		 1 Saturday, April 1st	
2 Emmanuel Wesleyan Sunday School 9:00 am Service 10:30 am Fellowship 5:15 pm Eve Service 6 pm Scott's UMC Sunday Service 9 am	3 Community Seder at St Mark's Scott's Food Pantry 3pm to 6 pm WMES PTO MTG 6:30	4 Scott's Food Pantry 3pm to 6 pm EHS 7pm Band Boosters TUMC Lenten Service 7pm	5 Trappe Town Council 7:15 pm Hwy Comm 7:30 pm Meeting & Town Hall Charrette	6 Brownie & Jr GS Mtg at WMES 4 pm AA 6:30 pm St. Paul's	7 EMS MESA 8 am - 4 pm Mitchum's Wine Tasting 5pm - 7 pm WMES Basketball 6:15 EHS All-Shore Chorus 8 p	8 Trappe UMC 7:00-10:00 am Country Church Breakfast / Yard Sale 
16 TUMC Sunrise Service at 6:27 am  Easter Sunday	17 TCP Schools Closed	18	12 TOWN HALL CHARRETTE Fire Hall 7 pm Lions Club 6:30 pm MidShore Rep Wmn 7 pm	13 Maundy Thursday Passover Begins AA 6:30 pm St. Paul's	14 Schools Closed GOOD FRIDAY CROSS WALK /Noon Stations of the Cross TUMC 7 pm St Paul's Painters 9:30 am	15 TUMC Easter Egg Hunt 
16 TUMC Sunrise Service at 6:27 am  Easter Sunday	17 TCP Schools Closed	18	19 TCPS Board Mtg EHS 7pm  Trappe Planning Commission 7:30 pm	20 Brownie & Jr GS Mtg at WMES 4 pm AA 6:30 pm St. Paul's EHS After Grad Mtg 7 pm	21 Orthodox Holy Friday St Paul's Painters 9:30 am WMES Tricky Tray Raffle 6 pm WMES Basketball 6:15	22 Trappe UMC 7-10 am Country Church Breakfast / Yard Sale TUMC Youth 4th Sat 7:30 *Judgement Day' play at Talbot County Historical Society
St Paul's Holy Eucharist 9 am Sunday School 9 am Trappe UMC Sunday School 9:45 am Service 11 am Faith Chapel Service 8:45 am	24  Saturday, April 15th	25 EMS Hoops for Hearth Campaign 9:30 am Daisy GS Mtg WMES 6:30 pm	26 EMS Hoops for Hearth Campaign 9:30 am Lions Club Mtg 6:30 pm Administrative Pro Day	27 AA 6:30 pm St. Paul's	28 SPECIAL TRASH PICK UP St Paul's Painters 9:30 am WMES Basketball 6:15	29 EHS Senior Prom 
Do you have an announcement you would like to share? A special anniversary, birthday, or celebration? Please share them with our readers. It's easy! Submit news item along with your water bill or send them to the Town Office or Index editor, Ann Dorbin: 410.476.3910, 3915 Main Street, PO Box 10, trappeindex@verizon.net.						

Do you have an announcement you would like to share? A special anniversary, birthday, or celebration? Please share them with our readers. It's easy! Submit news item along with your water bill or send them to the Town Office or Index editor, Ann Dorbin: 410.476.3910, 3915 Main Street, PO Box 10, trappeindex@verizon.net.

SPRING HAS SPRUNG . . . & MITCHUM'S MARKET IS READY!

Get out of the kitchen and into the outdoors . . . Fresh-grilled "Steakhouse" burgers, steaks, and BBQ chicken & ribs available from our **out-door grill** to enjoy at our out-door tables. **Indoor seating** also available for those "April showers" days. Or take out a hot, home-cooked no-fuss meal or fixin's for a picnic basket—all available at Mitchum's Market, located at Main Street and Maple Avenue. What better way to celebrate the season's romance than with a selection from Mitchum's specialty wine rack. Be sure to stop by for **Monthly Wine Tastings** held the first Friday of every month from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.



Photo Courtesy of Ann Dorbin

Open Monday thru Saturday 7:30 am to 7:30 pm
Open Sunday 10 am to 4 pm
410.476.3330

School Programs

St. Paul's Pre-School
8:45 - 11:45 am
Tue, Wed & Thur

Scotts United Methodist
After-school Program
3:30 pm Mon-Fri

White Marsh
Elementary
Homework Club
3:30 pm Mon-Fri

Local Church/Bible Study/Programs

March 8th - 7 pm United Methodist Women

Trappe United Methodist Church

Tuesday: No Bible Study during Lent Series
Wednesday: Yard Sale Open 8:30 am - Noon
Wednesday: 6:30 pm Worship/Communion
Wednesday: 7:15 pm Bible Study 1st, 3rd, 4th & 5th
Thursday: 5:45 pm Youth Choir
7 pm Adult Choir practice

Scotts United Methodist Church

Tuesday 1st & 2nd: Men's Bible Study 6 pm
Wednesdays 11 am Young @ Heart
Wednesdays 2 pm Midday Study
Wednesdays 7 pm Evening Study
Thursday 5:30 pm Youth Praise Dept.

Letters to the Editor:



Thanks for mentioning the Unicorn Bookshop and its web page in the Index. Bob Crosswell did an outstanding job with it. I had to smile when you wrote that the shop has been located on Route 50 for a long time [22 years] and many people have no idea what's actually inside. Not a week goes by that I don't have people coming in who say, "I've been driving by this store for [fill in any number here from 1 to 22] year[s] and finally thought I'd stop in." Everyone says it's bigger on the inside than on the outside.
Jim Dawson, Owner, Unicorn Books